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【Title of Invention】 Reproducing Apparatus

【Claims】

【Claim 1】 A reproducing apparatus comprising:

5 reproducing means for reproducing moving image data for normal reproduction and image data for high-speed reproduction from a tape-shaped recording medium on which a plurality of tracks are formed to record therein moving image data train including the 10 moving image data for normal reproduction which is encoded by using intra-frame coding and inter-frame coding and the image data for high-speed reproduction, and

15 an interface which multiplexes and outputs in a form of encoded data the moving image data for normal reproduction and the image data for high-speed reproduction, each of which is reproduced by the reproducing means.

20 【Claim 2】 A reproducing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the interface converts the moving image data for normal reproduction and the image data for high-speed reproduction into a plurality of packets having a data size of a predetermined amount 25 respectively, and the interface multiplexes and outputs the plurality of packets.

【Claim 3】 A reproducing apparatus according to
claim 2, wherein each of the plurality of packets
includes ID data, and the interface allocates
predetermined values different from each other to the
5 ID data of the packet of the moving image data for
normal reproduction and the ID data of the packet of
the image data for high-speed reproduction.

【Claim 4】 A reproducing apparatus according to
10 claim 1, further comprising controlling means for
controlling whether the image data for high-speed
reproduction is multiplexed and output or not, in
accordance with a status of an external apparatus to
which the interface outputs the moving image data for
15 normal reproduction and the image data for high-speed
reproduction.

【Claim 5】 A reproducing apparatus according to
claim 4, wherein the interface outputs the moving
20 image data for normal reproduction and the image data
for high-speed reproduction pursuant to an IEEE1394
standard, and the control means detects information
stored by the interface in a predetermined register
of the apparatus to which the moving image data for
25 normal reproduction and the image data for high-speed
reproduction are to be output, and controls whether
the image data for high-speed reproduction is

multiplexed and output or not, in accordance with the information detected by the interface.

【Claim 5】 A reproducing apparatus according to
5 claim 1, further comprising decoding means for
decoding the moving image data for normal
reproduction and the image data for high-speed
reproduction, each of which is reproduced by the
reproducing means, and for selecting and outputting
10 one of the decoded moving image data for normal
reproduction and the decoded image data for high-
speed reproduction.

【Claim 7】 A reproducing apparatus according to
15 claim 6, wherein the interface further receives a
transmission data train, in which the moving image
data for normal reproduction and the image data for
high-speed reproduction are multiplexed in a form of
encoded data, through a transmission line and detects
20 the moving image data for normal reproduction and the
image data for high-speed reproduction from the
received transmission data train to output the
detected data to the decoding means.

25 【Claim 8】 A reproducing apparatus according to
claim 1, wherein the image data for high-speed
reproduction includes only image data of a frame

encoded by the intra-frame coding among the moving image data for normal reproduction.

【Claim 9】 A recording apparatus comprising:

5 encoding means for encoding moving image data by using intra-frame coding and inter-frame coding to generate the moving image data for normal reproduction, and generating image data for high-speed reproduction by using a part of the moving
10 image data for normal reproduction,
 recording means for forming a plurality of tracks on a tape-shaped recording medium and recording the moving image data for normal reproduction and the image data for high-speed
15 reproduction, each of which is generated by the encoding means, in the plurality of tracks; and
 an interface which multiplexes and outputs in a form of encoded data the moving image data for normal reproduction and the image data for high-speed
20 reproduction, each of which is generated by the encoding means.

【Claim 10】 A recording apparatus according to claim 9, wherein the recording means records the
25 image data for special reproduction at a predetermined position decided in the each track.

【Claim 11】 A recording apparatus according to
claim 10, wherein the recording means records the
image data for high-speed reproduction at a position
corresponding to a scanning trajectory of a head in
5 high-speed reproduction within the plurality of
tracks.

【Claim 12】 A recording apparatus according to
claim 8, wherein the interface converts each of the
10 moving image data for normal reproduction and the
image data for high-speed reproduction into a
plurality of packets having a data size of a
predetermined amount and multiplexes and outputs the
plurality of packets.

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【Claim 13】 A recording apparatus according to
claim 12, wherein each of the plurality of packets
includes ID data, and the interface allocates
predetermined values different from each other to the
20 ID data of the packet of the moving image data for
normal reproduction and an ID data of the packet of
the image data for high-speed reproduction.

【Claim 14】 A recording apparatus according to
25 claim 8, wherein the interface further receives a
transmission data train, in which the moving image
data for normal reproduction and the image data for

high-speed reproduction are multiplexed while are encoded, from an external apparatus, and the recording means further records the moving image data for normal reproduction and the image data for high-speed reproduction, each of which is received by the interface.

10 【Claim 15】 A recording apparatus according to
claim 8, wherein the encoding means generates the
image data for high-speed reproduction by using only
image data of a frame encoded by the intra-frame
coding among the moving image data for normal
reproduction.

moving image data for normal reproduction of a packetized elementary stream format and the image data for high-speed reproduction of the packetized elementary stream format, each of which is reproduced
5 by the reproducing means.

【Claim 17】 A reproducing apparatus according to claim 16, wherein the interface allocates values different from each other to a packet ID of a
10 transport stream packet of the moving image data for normal reproduction and a packet ID of the transport stream packet of the image data for high-speed reproduction.

15 【Detailed Explanation of the Invention】

【0001】

【Field of the Invention】

The present invention relates to a recording and reproducing apparatus, particularly to the
20 recording and reproducing apparatus which records and reproduces encoded digital image data on and from a tape-shaped recording medium.

【0002】

【Prior Art】

25 A digital VCR which encodes the image data to record and reproduce the encoded image data on and from magnetic tape has been known. In recent years,

an apparatus in which the image data is encoded by using inter-frame coding format such as a MPEG system to be record and reproduce on and from the magnetic tape is also known.

5 **【0003】**

One of such kinds of the apparatuses is described in Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. H09-214889.

【0004】

10 In the MPEG system, since difference between frames of the image data is encoded, the encoded data can not be decoded using only this difference data, and the image data of a reference frame is required for the decoding.

15 **【0005】**

Since the amount of data of each frame is varied in the image data which is encoded in the MPEG system, a position where the data of each frame is recorded is not fixed on the magnetic tape. In the 20 case where the image data which is encoded in the MPEG system and recorded is reproduced at high speed, since a track on the magnetic tape can not be correctly scanned with a magnetic head, all the pieces of the data recorded on the tape are not 25 reproduced and the data is discretely reproduced.

【0006】

Therefore, a possibility of obtaining both the

difference data to which the inter-frame coding is performed and the data of the reference frame is extremely decreased, and only the image data of the frame to which the intra-frame coding is performed 5 can be decoded in the high-speed reproduction, so that obtaining the good reproduced image becomes difficult.

【0007】

In Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 10 H09-214889, it is considered that the good reproduced image is obtained even in the high-speed reproduction in such a manner that image data for high-speed reproduction is generated aside from the normal coding image data by using only the image data to 15 which the inter-frame coding is performed and the image data for high-speed reproduction is recorded at the position which is scanned with the head on each track in the high-speed reproduction.

【0008】

20 In Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 2001-309306, there is described a technique, in which the image data recorded using the MPEG system is reproduced and the image data is output in a form of encoded data.

25 **【0009】**

【Patent Document 1】

Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. H09-

214889.

【Patent Document 2】

Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 2001-309306.

5 【0010】

【Object to be solved by the Invention】

However, Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 2001-309306 discloses a configuration in which the data of a PES format of MPEG2 reproduced from the 10 tape is converted into a TS format to output the data in the form of digital data, but does not consider processing for the case in which the image data for high-speed reproduction is recorded on the tape at all, while Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 15 H09-214889 consider such the processing.

【0011】

Therefore, in the case where so-called digital dubbing in which the output data is received to be record on the tape as disclosed in Japanese Patent 20 Application Laid-Open No. 2001-309306 is considered, in the apparatus on the recording side it is required to newly generate the image data for high-speed reproduction from the input data of the TS format to be recorded, so that efficiency is not good.

25 【0012】

The objective of the present invention is to solve the above-described problem and attain easy

transmission and reception of image data for normal reproduction and image data for high-speed reproduction.

【0013】

5 【Means for solving the Problem】

In order to achieve the above objects, according to an aspect of the present invention, a reproducing apparatus of the invention comprises reproducing means for reproducing moving image data 10 for normal reproduction and image data for high-speed reproduction from a tape-shaped recording medium on which a plurality of tracks to record therein moving image data train including the moving image data for normal reproduction which is encoded by using intra-frame coding and inter-frame coding, and the encoded image data for high-speed reproduction, and an interface which multiplexes and outputs in a form of encoded data the moving image data for normal reproduction and the image data for high-speed 15 reproduction, each of which is reproduced by the reproducing means.

20 【0014】

【Embodiments of the Invention】

25 Embodiments of the present invention will be explained hereinafter.

【0015】

Fig. 1 shows the configuration of a recording

and reproducing apparatus 100 to which the invention is applied. As described above, while the recording and reproducing apparatus 100 of Fig. 1 encodes the image data and the audio data pursuant to the MPEG 5 system, the recording and reproducing apparatus 100 generates the image data for high-speed reproduction, to record and reproduce the data on and from a plurality of tracks on the tape.

【0016】

10 At first, normal recording processing will be described.

【0017】

15 The moving image signal and the audio signal, which are input from an input unit 101, are output to encoders 102 and 105 respectively. The encoder 102 encodes the input moving image signal pursuant to the MPEG2 format and outputs the encoded data to a search data generation unit 103 and a packetization unit 104. The data output from the encoder 102 is referred to 20 as a video elementary stream (ES).

【0018】

25 The packetization unit 104 divides the video ES data output from the encoder 102 into a plurality of blocks on predetermined data amount basis and forms a plurality of packets by adding a predetermined header to each block. The packet is referred to as a packetized elementary stream (PES) packet, and the

data output from the packetization unit 104 is referred to as a video PES. Fig. 2A shows the video ES and the video PES packet. The packetization unit 104 generates the video PES from the video ES to 5 output the video PES to a multiplexing unit 107.

【0019】

In the MPEG2 format, the image data is encoded by switching among the intra-frame coding, forward predictive coding, and bidirectionally predictive 10 coding on each frame basis. The search data generation unit 103 generates the image data for high-speed reproduction by using only the image data of the frame (I frame) to which the intra-frame coding is performed, among in the video ES output 15 from the encoder 102, and the search data generation unit 103 outputs the generated data to the multiplexing unit 107.

【0020】

The encoder 105 encodes the input audio signal 20 pursuant to the MPEG audio coding system and outputs the encoded data to a packetization unit 106. The data output from the encoder 105 is referred to as an audio elementary stream (ES).

【0021】

25 Similarly to the packetization unit 104, the packetization unit 106 divides the audio ES data output from the encoder 105 into the plurality of

blocks on predetermined data amount basis and forms the plurality of packets by adding the predetermined header to each block. The data output from the packetization unit 106 is referred to as an audio PES.

5 The lower stage of Fig. 2B shows the audio ES and the audio PES. The packetization unit 106 generates the audio PES from the audio ES to output the audio PES to a multiplexing unit 107.

【0022】

10 According to a direction from a control unit 116, the multiplexing unit 107 divides the image data for high-speed reproduction into the blocks on predetermined data amount basis. The video PES output from the packetization unit 104, the audio PES 15 output from the packetization unit 106, and the image data for high-speed reproduction output from the search data generation unit 103 are multiplexed to be output to a recording and reproduction unit 108 so that the block of the image data for high-speed 20 reproduction is recorded at a position, where the tape is scanned with the head during the high-speed reproduction, in each track on tape T.

【0023】

Fig. 3 shows the data output from the 25 multiplexing unit 107.

【0024】

The recording and reproduction unit 108 forms

the plurality of tracks on the tape T to record sequentially the data output from the multiplexing unit 107, by using a rotational head.

【0025】

5 Then, the operation in which the data is output from a digital interface during the normal recording will be described.

【0026】

10 The video PES output from the packetization unit 104, the audio PES output from the packetization 106, and the image data for high-speed reproduction output from the search data generation unit 103 are also output to a transport stream (TS) processing unit 117.

15 **【0027】**

According to the direction from the control unit 116, the TS processing unit 117 converts the video PES data, the audio PES data, and the image data for high-speed reproduction into the transport stream format of MPEG2 and outputs the converted data to a digital interface (DIF) 118.

【0028】

The conversion processing performed by the TS processing unit 117 will be described below.

25 **【0029】**

The TS processing unit 117 divides the video PES data, the audio PES data, and the image data for

high-speed reproduction into the plurality of blocks on predetermined data amount basis and generates a 188-byte transport stream (TS) packet by adding the predetermined header (TS header) to each block. The 5 TS processing unit 117 multiplexes the TS packet generated from the video PES, the TS packet generated from the audio PES, and the search data TS packet generated from the image data for high-speed reproduction at predetermined timing to generate TS.

10 **【0030】**

Fig. 4 shows the multiplexing processing which is performed by the TS processing unit 117.

【0031】

15 In Fig. 4, in transport streams (TS) 403, a reference numeral 403V denotes the TS packet generated from the video PES 401, a reference numeral 403A denotes the TS packet generated from the audio PES 402, and a reference numeral 403S denotes the TS packet of the data for high-speed reproduction.

20 **【0032】**

In TS, a packet ID (PID) for identifying the data of each packet is added to a TS packet header. The TS processing unit 117 multiplexes and outputs a program map table (PMT) showing contents of a program 25 included in the packet of each PID and a program association table (PAT) for detecting PMT. PAT and PMT are referred to as program specific information

(PSI). In particular, number 0 is allocated to PID of the TS packet having PAT.

【0033】

In the present embodiment, predetermined values
5 are independently allocated to PID of the video TS,
PID of the audio TS, and PID of TS of the image data
for high-speed reproduction, and PID of each TS
packet is described in PMT. This allows the contents
of the data to be detected only by detecting PID of
10 each TS packet.

【0034】

Fig. 5 shows the TS data, the TS packet, and
the TS packet header.

【0035】

15 DIF 118 outputs the TS data, which is output
from the TS processing unit 117, to the outside of
the apparatus pursuant to a format specified by an
IEEE1394 standard.

【0036】

20 The normal reproducing operation will be
described below.

【0037】

When the control unit 116 gives the direction
of the normal reproduction, the recording and
25 reproduction unit 108 reproduces the data train of
the moving images recorded in the above-described
manner from the tape T and outputs the data train of

the moving images to a demultiplexing unit 109. The demultiplexing unit 109 detects the video PES, the audio PES, and the image data for high-speed reproduction from the reproduced data train of moving images, outputs the audio PES to a conversion unit 110, and outputs the video PES and the image data for high-speed reproduction to a decoder 113.

【0038】

10 The conversion unit 110 detects each PES packet header from the output audio PES to generate the audio ES and outputs the audio ES to a decoder 111. The decoder 111 decodes the output audio ES to output the decoded audio ES to an output unit 114.

【0039】

15 The conversion unit 112 detects each PES packet header from the video PES output from the demultiplexing unit 109 to generate the video ES and outputs the video ES to the decoder 113. In the normal reproducing operation, according to the 20 direction from the control unit 116, the decoder 113 selects the video ES from among the video ES output from the conversion unit 112 and the data for high-speed reproduction output from the demultiplexing unit 109, to decode the video ES to output the 25 decoded video ES to an output unit 114.

【0040】

The output unit 114 converts the audio data

output from the decoder 111 and the audio data output from the decoder 113 into the format suitable for the external devices and outputs the converted data.

【0041】

5 Then, the processing in which DIF 118 outputs the data in the normal reproducing operation will be described.

【0042】

10 The demultiplexing unit 109 also outputs the video PES, the audio PES, and the image data for high-speed reproduction, each of which is detected from the data train of images reproduced in the above-described manner, to a TS processing unit 117.

【0043】

15 Even in the normal reproducing operation, similarly to the above recording operation, the TS processing unit 117 generates the TS packets from the video PES, the audio PES, and the image data for high-speed reproduction, according to the direction 20 from the control unit 116, and the TS processing unit 117 multiplexes the generated TS packets to generate the TS data. DIF 118 outputs the TS data to the outside of the recording and reproducing apparatus 100.

25 **【0044】**

The high-speed reproduction processing will be described below.

【0045】

When an operation unit 115 directs the high-speed reproduction, the control unit 116 directs the recording and reproduction unit 108 to reproduce the 5 image data by feeding the tape T at a high speed.

【0046】

The recording and reproduction unit 108 reproduces the image data by feeding the tape T at higher speed. At this point, the image data for 10 high-speed reproduction is reproduced mainly.

【0047】

The demultiplexing unit 109 detects the image data for high-speed reproduction from the data output from the recording and reproduction unit 108 and 15 outputs the image data for high-speed reproduction to the decoder 113. According to the direction from the control unit 116, the decoder 113 decodes the image data for high-speed reproduction output from the demultiplexing unit 109 and outputs the decoded image 20 data for high-speed reproduction to the output unit 114. The control unit 116 also controls the conversion units 110 and 112 so as not to output the audio PES and the video PES, each of which is output from the demultiplexing unit 109, in the high-speed 25 reproduction.

【0048】

Then, the dubbing operation will be described,

wherein the TS data, which is reproduced by the external device and output in the above-described manner, is input through DIF 118 to perform the recording.

5 **【0049】**

In this case, DIF 118 of the recording and reproducing apparatus 100 shown in Fig. 1 is connected to DIF 118' of a recording and reproducing apparatus 100' having the same configuration as the 10 recording and reproducing apparatus 100 with an IEEE 1394 cable. The recording and reproducing apparatus 100' reproduces image data to generate the TS data as in the above-described manner, and the TS data is output to DIF 118 of the recording and reproducing 15 apparatus 100 through the DIF 118'.

【0050】

DIF 118 inputs the TS data output from the recording and reproducing apparatus 100' to output the TS data to the TS processing unit 117.

20 **【0051】**

According to the direction from the control unit 116, the TS processing unit 117 detects PID of each of TS packets of the video PES, the audio PES, and the image data for high-speed reproduction on the 25 basis of PAT and PMT in the input TS data, and the TS processing unit 117 detects the TS packet of each data on the basis of the detected PID. Then, the TS

processing unit 117 generates the original video PES, the original audio PES, and the original image data for high-speed reproduction from each TS packet to output them to the multiplexing unit 107.

5 **【0052】**

According to the direction from the control unit 116, the multiplexing unit 107 multiplexes, in the above-described manner, the video PES, the audio PES, and the data for high-speed reproduction, each 10 of which is output from the TS processing unit 117, so that the block of the image data for high-speed reproduction is recorded at the position, where the tape is scanned by the head during the high-speed reproduction, in each track on tape T. The 15 multiplexing unit 107 outputs the multiplexed data to the recording and reproduction unit 108.

【0053】

According to the direction of a recording start from the operation unit 115, the control unit 116 20 outputs the direction of start of the recording to the recording and reproduction unit 108. According to the direction of the recording start from the control unit 116, the recording and reproduction unit 108 records the data train of images from the 25 multiplexing unit 107 on the tape T.

【0054】

The processing in which the TS data input from

DIF 118 is decoded and output will be described below.

【0055】

When the control unit 116 gives the direction of the external input reproduction, in the same 5 manner as in the case of the dubbing operation, the TS processing unit 117 detects the video PES, the audio PES, and the image data for high-speed reproduction from the TS data output from DIF 118, outputs the audio PES to the conversion unit 110, and 10 outputs the video PES and the image data for high-speed reproduction to the decoder 113.

【0056】

According to the direction from the control unit 116, the conversion unit 110 selects the audio 15 PES output from the TS processing unit 117 to generate the audio ES and outputs the audio ES to the decoder 111. The decoder 111 decodes the audio ES output from the conversion unit 110 to output the decoded audio ES to the output unit 114.

【0057】

According to the direction from the control unit 116, the conversion unit 112 selects the video PES output from the TS processing unit 117 to generate the video ES and outputs the video ES to the 25 decoder 113. The decoder 113 selects the video ES from among the video ES output from the conversion unit 112 and the image data for high-speed

reproduction output from the TS processing unit 117, and the decoder 113 decodes the video ES to output the decoded video ES to the output unit 114.

【0058】

5 The output unit 114 outputs the audio data output from the decoder 111 and the image data output from the decoder 113 to the outside of the recording and reproducing apparatus 100.

【0059】

10 As described above, according to the embodiment of the invention, the TS processing unit 117 converts the audio PES, the video PES, and the image data for high-speed reproduction, each of which is reproduced from the tape, into the TS data to output them 15 through DIF 118, so that it is not necessary in the apparatus on the recording side that the image data for high-speed reproduction is newly generated even in the digital dubbing operation.

【0060】

20 In the above embodiment, although the data for high-speed reproduction is always multiplexed and transmitted when transmitting the image data from DIF, for example it is also possible that the contents of the register managing whether the image data for 25 high-speed reproduction is required or not is previously checked through DIF 118 and the image data for high-speed reproduction is transmitted without

multiplexing the image data for high-speed reproduction by the TS processing unit 117 when the data for high-speed reproduction is not required.

【0061】

5 【Effect of the Invention】

As described above, according to the present invention, since the image data for high-speed reproduction can be output in a form of encoded data, it is not required that the external apparatus newly 10 generates image data for high-speed reproduction.

【BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS】

【Fig. 1】 is a block diagram showing a configuration of a recording and reproducing 15 apparatus to which the invention is applied;

【Fig. 2】 shows an elementary stream (ES) and a packetized elementary stream (PES) ;

【Fig. 3】 shows data which is recorded on tape;

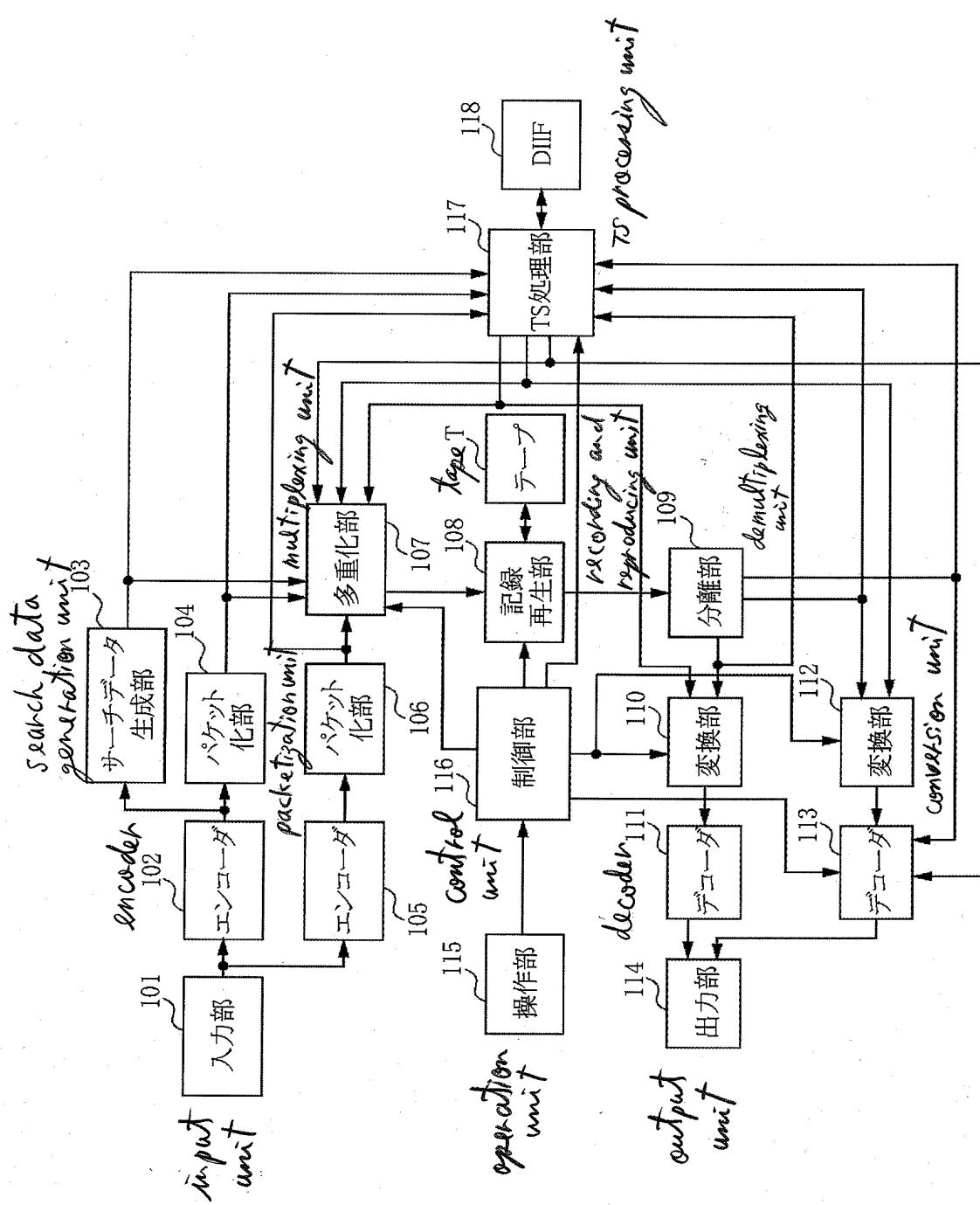
【Fig. 4】 shows the packetized elementary stream 20 (PES) and a transport stream (TS) ;

【Fig. 5】 shows TS data.

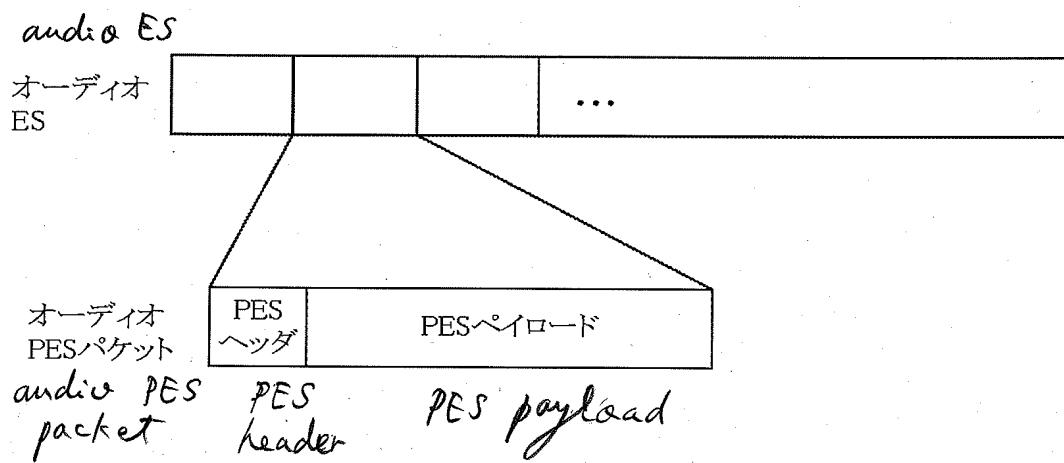
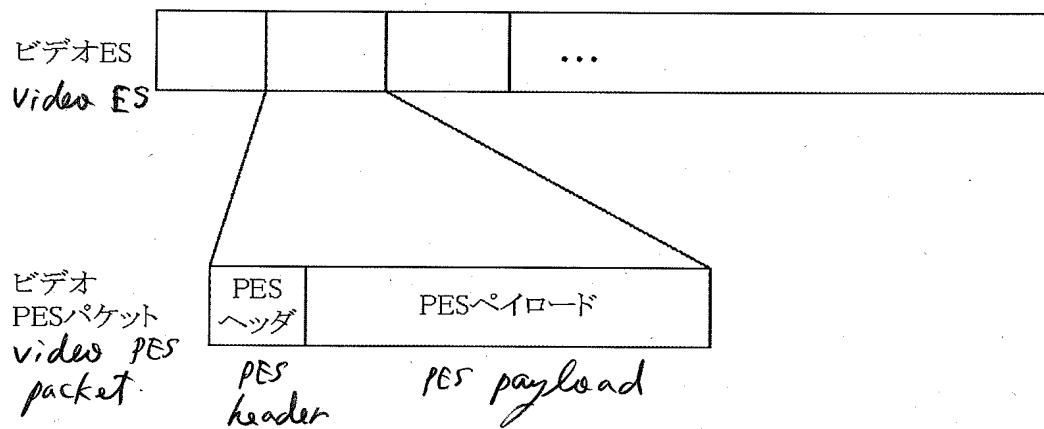
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【図1】

Fig. 1

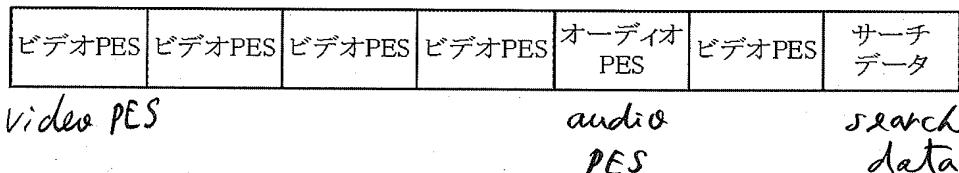


【図2】 Fig. 2



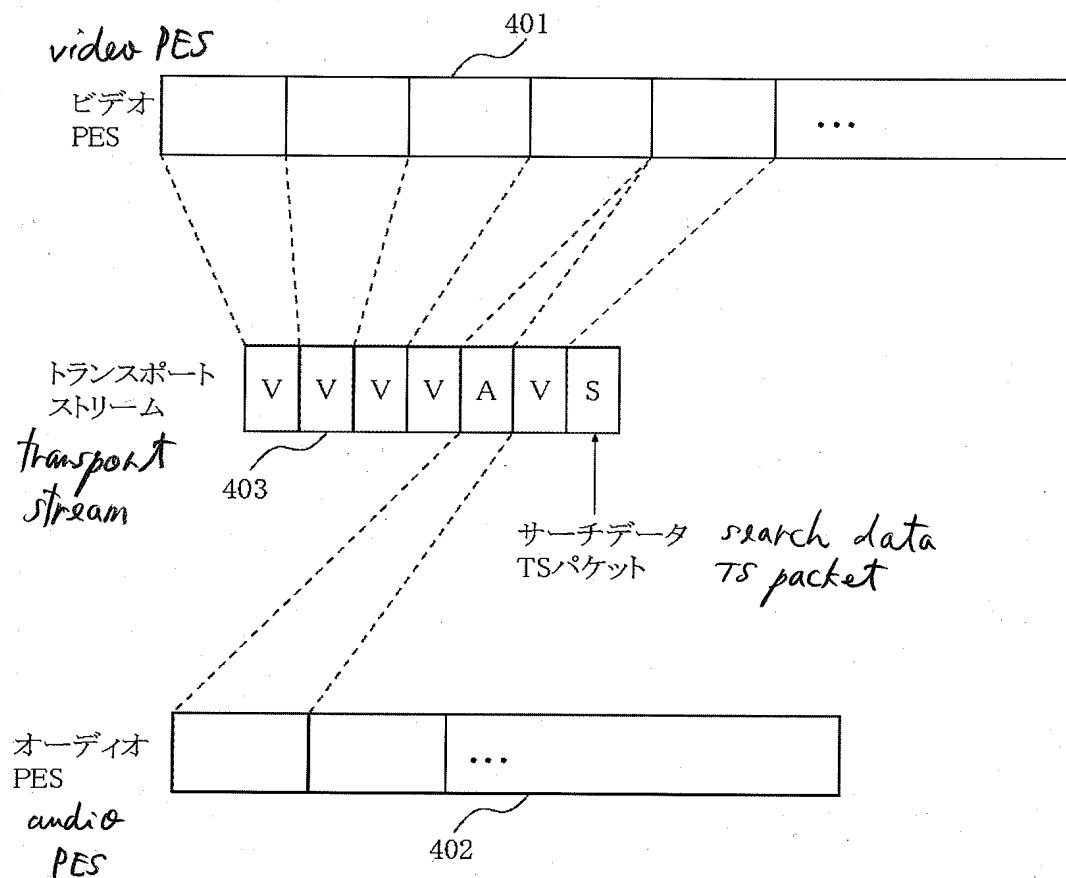
【図3】

Fig.3



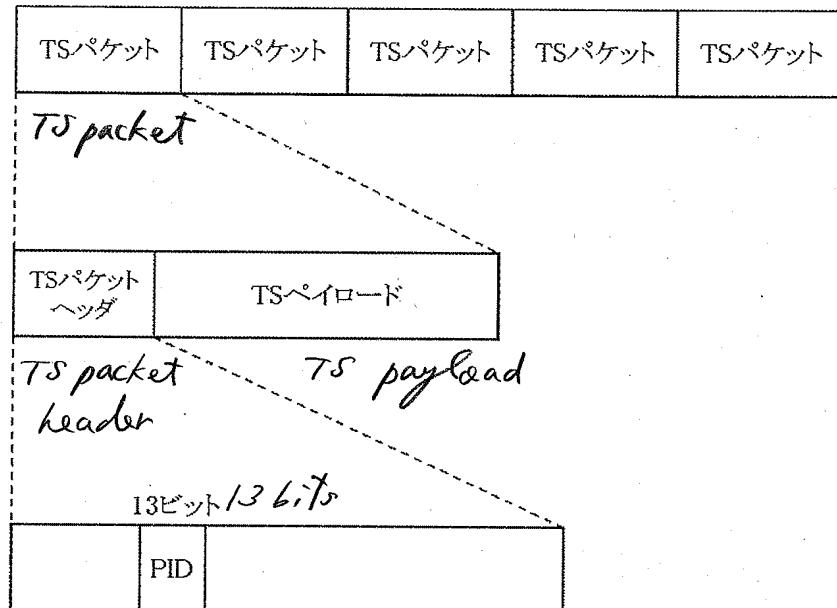
【図4】

Fig. 4



【図5】

Fig. 5

188 bytes
188バイト

【Document Name】 Abstract

【Abstract】

【Objective】 It is an objective of the present invention to avoid that a transmission designation apparatus generates data for searching.

5 【Document Name】 Image data for normal reproduction and image data for high-speed reproduction are reproduced from a tape-shaped recording medium on which a plurality of tracks are formed to store
10 therein moving image data strings including the image data for normal reproduction and the image data for high-speed reproduction, encoded in accordance with format of a packetized elementary stream (PES) of MPEG 2, and the reproduced image data for normal
15 reproduction and image data for high-speed reproduction of the PES format are multiplexed in a transport stream (TS) format of the MPEG2 and then output.

【Selected Drawing.】 Fig.1.

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